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SUBJECT: SIXTH SESSION WMO COMMISSION FOR BASIC SYSTEMS (CBS),  
BELGRADE.

PASS N E JOHNSON I.A. NOAA, ROCKVILLE

1. AT BEGINNING OF THIRD (FINAL) WEEK, COMMISSION IS COMPLETING  
WORK AT COMMITTEE LEVEL ON ALL AGENDA ITEMS. THUS FAR, DECISIONS AND  
RECOMMENDATIONS ARE ESSENTIALLY IN ACCORD WITH US POSITION.

2. ITEM PROVOKING MAJOR CONTROVERSY HAS BEEN AUSTRALIAN PROPOSAL  
TO DELETE MELBOURNE-DELHI LINK FROM GTS PLAN. SEVERAL DELEGATIONS  
ARGUED THAT ANY ACTION THIS PROPOSAL WAS OUTSIDE RESPONSIBILITIES  
CBS. INDIA AND NETHERLANDS STRONGLY OPPOSED AS HAVING DELETERIOUS  
EFFECT ON DELHI RTH AND DUTCH VAP PROJECT SUPPORTING THE RTH. USSR  
OPPOSED BECAUSE IT WOULD ELIMINATE MOST DIRECT SOURCE SOUTHERN  
HEMISPHERE DATA, ESPECIALLY ANTRACTIC DATA. COMMITTEE AGREED TO  
RECOMMEND URGENT ACTION WMO EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO STUDY REPERCUSSIONS

AND POSSIBLE ALTERNATIVES. MEANWHILE, AUSTRALIA ASKED TO CONTINUE  
PRESENT 75 BAUD CHANNEL. AUSTRALIA APPEARS TO HAVE LOST SOME  
GOOD WILL AND CONFIDENCE OF OTHER MEMBERS AS RESULT THIS AND  
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PROPOSED RESTRICTIONS IN OPERATION WMC-MELBOURNE.

3. SESSION HAS MADE LABORIOUS REVIEW OF WWW PLAN WITH MANY DRAFTING IMPROVEMENTS AND SOME RE-ARRANGEMENT, BUT NO FUNDAMENTAL CHANGES. SPACE-BASED (SATELLITE) AND SURFACE BASED SUBSYSTEMS OF GOS NOW IN BETTER BALANCE, WHICH RECOGNIZES THEM AS COMPLEMENTARY AND NOT COMPETITIVE PARTS OF TOTAL SYSTEM.

4. ADOPTION OF MANUAL FOR GTS AND GUIDE FOR GDPS EXPECTED TO BE IMPORTANT RESULT OF SESSION, AS THEY ARE FIRST STEP IN FORMALIZING THE OPERATION OF WWW SYSTEM. THIS NOW OPENS WAY TO MORE INTEGRATED FUNCTIONING OF THE SYSTEM, AND MAKES POSSIBLE AT LEAST ELEMENTARY MONITORING IN NEAR REAL-TIME.

5. REGARDING FUTURE WORKING ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE COMMISSION, THERE IS BROAD AGREEMENT TO MAINTAIN PRESENT STRUCTURE AND TO IMPROVE EFFICIENCY BY USING BIENNIAL MEETING, (ALTERNATE ONES WITH LIMITED AGENDA) GREATER USE OF ADVISORY WORKING GROUPS AND OVERLAPPING SESSIONS TO STRENGTHEN COORDINATION IN BETWEEN THREE MAJOR WORKING GROUPS AND WWW PLANNING.

6. SELECTION OF CHAIRMEN OF MAJOR WORKING GROUPS NOW BEING SORTED OUT, WITH FAWCETT (USA) AND CZELNAI (HUNGARY) ONLY CANDIDATES FOR GDPS AND GOS. GIALOMBARDO (ITALY) RELUCTANT TO STAND AGAIN, BUT RAVDIN (USSR) KEENLY INTERESTED IN CHAIRMANSHIP GTS WORKING GROUP. BELL (UK) ALSO WILLING TO STAND.

7. ELECTION CBS OFFICERS LISTED FOR FOURTH PLENARY APRIL2. TWO CANDIATES FOR VICE PRESIDENCY (BRINKMAN AND JURCEC) APPEAR TO HAVE ABOUT EQUAL SUPPORT.

8. CLOSE OF SESSION ON APRIL 5 APPEARS FIRM.  
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